

GOOD NEWS FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S OFFICE

November 5, 2018

Dear Parents:

NO SCHOOL TOMORROW, Tuesday, November 6. School will return to normal on Wednesday, November 7.

Our attendance goal this year is 95%! This week's attendance average is 94.0%. Our chronic attendance percentage is 19.6 %. This is very alarming. Students are considered a half day absent if they come to school after 8:40 AM, or leave before 1:30 PM. Please be reminded that an absence is an absence, whether it is excused, or not excused. If your child misses more than 10% of the school year, they are considered chronic. We are going on our 40th day of school, so that means if your child has missed 4 days, then they are chronically absent. Absences count whether they are excused or not excused. Please make sure your child is at school every day. We want our kids to be successful! There are many rewards for students that come to school every day and on time!

Since attendance is so important, we must remember that flu season is upon us! Please make sure you take precautions at home to keep your child safe from getting the flu. Not only do our hands need to be washed, but we need to be sure we are bathing regularly and eating healthy.

We all love memories! Our yearbooks are now for sale for \$12.00 soft-cover, \$19.00 hard-cover, or you can buy a package that has some add-ons!

We just love seeing all of the students and staff in spirit wear! The shirts have come in, and they look incredible! We will be placing a wave 2 order as soon as we have 28 more orders! T-Shirts are \$8.00. It's going to get cold very soon, so be sure to order HOODIES on our orders as well! Pullover Hoodies are \$20.00, and the zip up hoodies are \$25.00. Order forms can be picked up in the main office!

Parent Survey: I would like to personally apologize for the typos on the parent survey. I assure you that we will be more observant on our proofreading in the future.

The PTA cafeteria /playground committee is still looking for moms AND dads to volunteer their time to help in the cafeteria and on the playground. As volunteers, you are an extra set of eyes, ears, and hands to ensure our students' safety. Whether you can volunteer one day per month or one day per week, your presence is greatly appreciated by our Jones teachers and staff! Cafeteria hours are from 11:25 am until approximately 12:45 pm, and playground hours are from 11:00 am until approximately 12:20 pm. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the Jones office and someone will be happy to sign you up.

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS:

Jones Elementary School (main number) **TPS Transportation** 918-746-9040 918-833-8100 Jones Health Clinic 918-746-9050 TPS Health Services 918-746-6364 Jones Cafeteria 918-746-9049 TPS Child Nutrition 918-746-6204

> SCHOOL HOURS: **NOTICE SCHOOL YEAR 2018-2019**

HOURS FOR ELEMENTARY STUDENTS ARE:

7:00 A.M. for Breakfast 7:20 A.M. UNTIL 2:35 P.M. DAILY

STUDENTS ARE NOT ALLOWED ON CAMPUS PRIOR TO 7:00 A.M. OR AFTER 3:00 P.M.*

*Unless participating in a school approved program, activity or event authorized by the Principal or Designee

ONE EXTRA MINUTE OF YOUR TIME COULD SAVE YOUR CHILD'S LIFE! Parents, please help us keep your child safe. Set an example and insist that your child use the crosswalks that are marked to cross streets and parking lots. The end of the school day is the most congested with cars, vans, buses, and CHILDREN. Everyone must follow the directions of the crossing guards, duty teachers, and traffic signs. You make a difference between a safe return home and a tragedy.

November Calendar

November 8 PTA Meeting at Andy's Custard: 5:30 PM Retakes and Class Pictures: FREE DRESS! November 9

> Fifth Grade Any Given Child Field Trip Veteran's Day Program: 9:00 Am

November 12 November 13 First Grade Any Given Child Field Trip November 21-23 Thanksgiving Break

Third Grade Any Given Child Field Trip November 29 Citizen of the Month Assembly/Spirit Day November 30

Enjoy the week!

Sincerely,

Bradley Griffin, Principal